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- 1. THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE HAS AGREED UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, TO A MAXIMUM EFFORT ON THEIR PART TO CLEAR THE CARGO OF MARENGO MIMI AIRCRAFT AND FEEL THAT AS LONG AS THE AIRCRAFT ARRIVED IN DAYLINGT HOURS AT A MINIMUM OF TWO HOUR INTERVALS FROM OTHER MAC CHANNEL/CHARTER FLIGHTS, THEY CAN HANDLE THEM.
- 2. IN VIEW OF THE WIDE PUBLICITY ALREADY GIVEN THIS ACTION AND THE EXTREME SENSITIVITY OF THE EPMG TO THE CURRENT DELAY IN AIRLIFT, THE ISSUE OF VISIBILITY IS NOW OF SECONDARY IMPORTANCE TO BOTH THIS EMBASSY AND THE MOD WHEN COMPARED TO THE VALUE TO BE GAINED FROM GETTING THE AIRLIFT COMPLETED ASAP.

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3. RECOMMEND THAT THE EMPHASIS SHIFT FROM VISIBILITY

TO RAPID INPUT AND THAT:

A. MARENGO MIMI FLIGHTS BE ALLOWED ON DAYS OF

MAC CHANNEL FLIGHTS.

B. MARENGO MIMI FLIGHTS BE PROGRAMMED IN AS FAST

AS AVAILABLE AIRLIFT, THE ABOVE CRITERIA AND OTHER APPLICABLE

FACTORS, PERMIT.

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